

GOSSIP OF GREATER GOTHAM

Robert A. Van Wyck as He Appears in the City Hall.

HIS SPONSOR JOHN F. CARROLL.

Little Known Now, But Worth Watching—Greater New York Larger than Some Kingdoms—The Mayor's Temper—Will He Speak Up?

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—In spite of the fact that he has been a judge on the city bench for years, and that his name has become one of the best known in all New York through his candidacy for and triumphant election as first mayor of the Greater New York, Robert Van Wyck is personally known to only a few outside, political and legal circles. He will be known to a great many who are neither politicians nor lawyers before his term of office expires, and, though he has been in his new place less than a week, it is evident that he is going to make a favorable impression upon most of those whom he meets.

To many who have received an idea of his personality from his pictures, photographs and printed, he is a surprise when met face to face. For instead of the man of at least medium height with a full chest and a rather imposing front, as expected, he is short, neither broad of chest nor expansive of person—not at all like a man who could eat six pounds of steak at a sitting. He dresses almost but not quite well enough to justify the use of the adjective "snuffy" in describing him. His clothes are made of the best materials obtainable, and the extreme smoothness of their fit leads the observer at once to believe they were cut on Fifth avenue, which is the fact.

His voice is rather pleasant—"well modulated"—would describe it better than any other term, perhaps. His face is agreeably colored, his nose is straight, his eyes are blue and his hair and mustache are graying in his luxuriance.

His eyes are, perhaps, the most striking feature of his countenance, being deep and piercing. They have been called black and they have been called blue, but neither is true. They are a deep, dark blue, but whatever their color they always impress the beholder at first sight, as black—not dead black, contented eyes, but snapping black—such eyes as men with quick tempers and intense passions look out upon the world through. Anyone who knows Van Wyck well will tell you that these eyes do not belie the man—that he really has a perfect whirlwind of a temper, once it is aroused, and that he has been known, on occasion, to display it fearlessly and freely.

But the impression that he is a man of quick and impetuous temper is fully offset by his humor, which is clear and ringing and of the quality that induces in his hearer a hearty and well-developed. His manner, too, is engaging, though studied, and he shakes hands with cordiality.

VAN WYCK'S TEMPER

Those who know most about his temper say that Mayor Van Wyck has a temper that is not easily aroused, but that if he ever does the liveliest kind of a row will ensue. That Croker will put up with much independence on the part of the mayor no one is likely to dispute. Van Wyck will receive from a position antagonistic to Croker once he takes it, either in the deliberation of cold blood or in the heat of passion, is equally conceivable. And, of course, the friends of both say that a point of difference between them will not be raised.

BY one who has followed Van Wyck's career pretty closely direct attention to the dramatic scene which occurred in a meeting of the Tammany Hall General Committee last night, on the evening of January 5th, just after the Presidential election, when Hancock, the Democratic candidate, was defeated. John Kelly was then as Richard Croker was now, and there were no wanting those who charged that Hancock's failure was due to the treachery of Tammany as guided by the boss. This charge was supported, so Tammany critics said, by the fact that the local Democratic ticket had been defeated by the local Republican ticket.

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A FEW NEW COLONELS

GOVERNOR TYLER ANNOUNCES THE MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF.

List of Those Appointed and Something Personal About Each of Them—Colonel Cowardin is the Chief.

Governor Tyler yesterday named the members of his staff. He did not announce any appointments until the bill increasing the number of members to eighteen had been passed by both branches of the Legislature. The House of Delegates approved of this measure on Friday and the Senate concurred in it without any debate yesterday, soon after that body met.

There is one vacancy on the staff. It is said a gentleman invited to serve has declined and Governor Tyler has not had time to which to select some one to take the place offered him.

THE MEMBERS.

The following are the members of the staff announced:

C. O. B. Cowardin (Chief of Staff) Richmond.

W. R. Rowe, Fredericksburg.

W. H. Sile, Norfolk.

Dr. C. V. Carrington, W. Brydon Tennant and W. O. Skelton, Richmond.

William Henry Mann, Petersburg.

George C. Cabell, Jr., Danville.

H. C. Ford, Charlotte county.

M. L. Watkins, Woodstock.

Louis C. Bailey, Alexandria.

George S. Shackelford, Orange Court-house.

King E. Harman, Pulaski.

W. O. Moore, Wytheville.

Joseph H. Fulton, Alexandria.

WHO THEY ARE.

Colonel Cowardin is too well known to need any introduction. He served on Governor's Lee's staff and for a brief period was Chief of Governor O'Ferrall's staff.

Colonel M. B. Rowe is an ex-member of the House of Delegates and one of the most substantial business men of Fredericksburg.

Everybody at Norfolk knows Colonel W. H. Sile, who is an old friend of Governor's though a gentleman young in years.

Colonels Dawson, Tennant and Skelton are members of the Richmond bar. Colonel Cowardin is a business man and of late years has been in the political field.

Colonel Cabell is a son of Hon. George C. Cabell, who for many years was the able representative of the Fifth District in Congress.

Colonel Ford is one of the citizens of Charlotte, of which that county is proud. He is a member of the State Senate; the law partner of Judge E. D. Newman, whom whom much has been written recently, and he is the author of what is known as the Walton election law.

WATSON REAPPOINTMENT.

The only member of Governor O'Ferrall's staff reappointed is Colonel O'Ferrall, who is the well-known member of the House from Alexandria.

The two members from the Ninth district are both excellent gentlemen. Colonel Harman is a neighbor of the Governor's, and Colonel Moore is the chairman of the Democratic Committee of Wythe county.

Colonel Shackelford is a former member of the House, and a lawyer of large practice in Orange and surrounding counties.

Last, but by no means least, there is Colonel J. H. Fulton, who will wear the uniform of a cavalryman. It is needless to state that he is the clerk of the Senate, the secretary of the State Democratic Committee, and an all-around good fellow.

It will be observed that each congressional district has been honored in making the selections, as follows:

First District: 1. Second; 2. Third; 3. Fourth; 4. Fifth; 5. Sixth; 6. Seventh; 7. Eighth; 8. Ninth; 9. Tenth; 10.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens and Other Matters.

Mr. William Mitchell left Richmond last Thursday on a business trip to Graham. He will be gone about ten days.

Squire T. P. Larus' time was taken up yesterday with the hearing of several civil cases.

Mr. John H. Samuels, the son of Constable "Cyclone" Samuels, is very ill at his home in the county.

Misses Loh and Ida Williams, who returned from Petersburg, where they spent the holidays with friends.

Mrs. Mahone, of Brooklyn, N. Y., will sing at the National Methodist society during the services this morning.

Captain and Mrs. Andrew Pizzini are registered at the New Amsterdam Hotel, New York city. They will be gone about a week.

Miss Lillie Martin, of Twenty-third street, has returned after a pleasant trip to Hanover, Va., with her uncle, Mr. John Burruss.

Mr. C. W. Westbury, Travelling Passenger Agent of the Southern railway, who has been absent from the city for several days on business, returned yesterday.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Maude E. Hazlegrave to Mr. William Gennell. The ceremony will take place at Centenary church next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Birch Goodwin and Master George Goodwin, of Lexington, Va., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John G. McDowell, at their home, "City View," near East Richmond.

Mr. LeRoy Shields, of Norfolk, is in Richmond Friday. Mr. Shields is Collector of the port of Norfolk, having been appointed by President Cleveland. His term expires in April, when it is said ex-Congressman Bowden will succeed him.

Mrs. John A. Fleet, of Matthews county, is on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Charles L. Siegel, 301 East Main street.

Volume XXV. of the Invaluable authority, the Southern Historical Society Papers, is in press, and largely in print. The contents are of great historical interest and value; are varied as to State representation, and to the branches of service of the South, comprehending also reports of the navy.

Invitations have been issued announcing the marriage on the evening of January 12, 1896, of Mr. William Walter Payne, a valued manager of the T. C. Williams Tobacco Company, to Miss Maggie Irene Hicks, at her residence, No. 390 North Twenty-fifth street. Miss Hicks is a most estimable lady, and her friends unite in the best wishes for the happiness of the couple.

Most Popular Man.

Mr. Frank P. Wiggins, of Manchester, N. H., is in the city, at Ten Jefferson street. He is here because he is the most popular man in his native town. This fact was established through a voting contest which was gotten up by the Daily Mirror of Manchester, N. H., in which he was the most popular man, and after the contest had been on about two weeks, Mr. Wiggins entered, and when it closed his vote stood 62,36, as against 19,584 for the next highest.

Mr. Wiggins is in the Police Patrol

CHEAPER TELEPHONES.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ROAD COMMISSION ACTS.

Col. Andrews Cited to Appear on the Question of Free Passes—A Big Cotton Warehouse Being Built.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 8.—Special.—The Railroad Commission met yesterday and the first thing they did was to reduce the rental of telephones. On and after the 1st of February all telephone companies in the State whether incorporated or not will be allowed to charge for services as follows: Places of business, special wire, \$20 per year, two and three party wire (each), \$24; four and five party wire (each), \$28; residences, special wire, \$15; two and three party wire (each), \$18; four and five party wire (each), \$24. This is to be the rates within the corporate limits of the city. This was done in the face of the opinion of the Attorney General that the commission had no jurisdiction in telephone matters.

The commission also began an investigation as to whether the Southern railroad had made special freight rates for S. O. Wilson and his family on furniture sent to Round Knob Hotel, J. B. Munson, general freight agent, asked for time to look over the books before he answered the questions put to him. He was told he must answer the questions later or be held for contempt.

FREE PASSES.

Colonel A. B. Andrews and his chief clerk, Henry W. Miller, were cited to appear before the commission this morning, and give information as to the issuing of free passes for several years back. It is said that this had been issued passes since the resolution passed by the commission last week forbidding such. The commissioners propose to examine the passes, if they are any, and if the results in the office are relative to passes, they are not likely to find out anything that Colonel Andrews and Mr. Miller desire to keep back.

The Library Board will meet early next week, and so much has been said about the State Library that it is being opened at hours that business men can enjoy it, that there is but little doubt, but what the State Librarian will be required to open the library at night. The Agricultural and Mechanical College will be given the use of the library.

Johnston and Thompson, cotton buyers, are putting up a big cotton warehouse for storage. It will be 500 feet long and sixty feet wide, with a capacity for storing 6,000 bales of cotton.

TWO MILLIONS.

A suit for two million dollars is being brought in Illinois by the heirs of the late Mary Smith Morehead. Most of the heirs are Raleigh people.

OBITUARY.

Dr. Robert L. Dabney.

The Times has announced the death at Knoxville, Tenn., on Tuesday last, of Dr. Robert L. Dabney, of this city. The news was brought to Hampton-Sidney, and on Friday afternoon, interred in the cemetery of the Union Theological Seminary. This was the appropriate spot in which his earthly frame should take its last farewell, for he was during the thirty years of his connection with the Seminary that most vigorous and varied displays of his mighty powers